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NOT BY MIGHT, NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT, SAITH THE LORD OF HOSTS

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New church dedicated in Clearwater, Florida

PASSING and PERMANENT

NEWS BRIEFS FROM THE CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE

Not Open on Sundays

An auto dealer in Racine, Wisconsin, regularly places a two-column ad in a local Sunday paper and this is what it says: "Go to Church today; see us tomorrow."

Not Taxable Income

The U. S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit has decided that a cash allowance paid a minister to cover the cost of his housing is not taxable income.

Bibles for Flood Victims

The American Bible Society is concerned over the report that at least 25,000 Bibles in sixteen languages were lost or damaged in the floods that brought tragedy and disaster to six northeastern states in August. It has offered free Bibles to all who request them.

New Spanish Magazine

A Spanish edition of THE PENTECOSTAL EVANGEL will make its appearance in November. The Spanish edition will be issued bi-monthly by the Spanish Literature Division of the Gospel Publishing House. It will be known as "Poder," the Spanish word for "Power."

Workers Interested in Bible

General Motors has found that no single booklet is quite so popular among its employees as one which tells how to read the Bible. When copies were placed on the information racks of GM offices throughout the world, they disappeared so fast that the company printed more than 300,000 copies.

Non-Alcoholics Anonymous

Believing that an ounce of prevention is better than a pound of cure, a group in New York City has organized a new program called Non-Alcoholics Anonymous, modeled on the lines of Alcoholics Anonymous. Whereas the latter organization is made up of former alcoholics, the new organization will seek to prevent people from becoming alcoholics.

New Law on Indian Leases

President Eisenhower has signed into law a bill giving Indians the right to make twenty-five-year leases of restricted reservation lands to religious and educational institutions. Church missionaries hail the legislation as it will enable them to construct more permanent religious and educational structures than were practical under the former five-year limit on certain reservation leases.

Argentine Referendum Is Delayed

The government of Argentina has voted to postpone for six months a national referendum to elect a constitutional convention. This means that official action toward ending Catholicism's status as the State religion will not begin before next summer at the earliest.

Silent Prayer at the U.N.

Congressman Brooks Hays, who was recently named as an American delegate to the United Nations, says he will propose that when the General Assembly of the U. N. begins September 20, every session should be opened by a moment of silent prayer. Heretofore only the initial session has opened in this way.

Swedes Begin Tangier Broadcasts

Religious News Service reports that Station IBRA, first international radio broadcasting unit of the Swedish Pentecostal Church, has begun operating at Tangier. Pastor Lewi Pethrus came from Stockholm to inaugurate the new service, which beams several gospel programs to northern Europe in eight different languages, including Swedish.

The Pentecostals were unable to obtain more than three broadcasts a year over the government-owned radio broadcasting system in Sweden. That is why they resorted to the Tangier project.

Bank Robberies Increasing

The average American has a higher standard of living today than ever before, but prosperity does not guarantee contentment. On the contrary, when money is more plentiful some people are the more tempted to steal. Bank robberies are increasing in number. The F.B.I. reports that during the first eight months of the 1955 fiscal year some 386 banking institutions were robbed. In the same period last year 273 bank robberies occurred. Bank robberies have been on a steady, upward increase since late 1950.

To Visit African Missions

Frances P. Bolton, Republican Representative from Ohio, believes that the foreign missions work of American churches is a highly important feature of our nation's foreign policy. As a one-woman subcommittee of the House Foreign Affairs Committee she plans to make a ninety-day tour of Africa to see for herself what American missionaries are doing there.

C.A.'s to Study the Acts

Beginning October 16, the youth of the Assemblies of God will take a five-week concentrated Bible study course entitled, "Facts From Acts." The course of study is contained in the Fall Quarter issue of "C. A. Guide." Written by C. M. Ward, the course is especially slanted to young people. The study is a follow-up to the One-Eight project of reading the Book of Acts, which was launched on National C. A. Day.

Prisons Overcrowded

It isn't only churches that are crowded these days. Prisons are crowded, too. Nearly 80,000 persons were sent to jail last year, raising the population of overcrowded state and federal prisons to a new record. At the end of the year, state institutions were housing 162,048 inmates and federal prisons 20,003. Here is a great congregation of 182,051 prisoners in need of the gospel, not counting the population of city and county jails.

Prayer Bill Pigeonholed

Legislation to require use of a "Pray for Peace" postmark on all U. S. mail was blocked, at least temporarily, because of Post Office objection to the cost. It was estimated that it would cost \$250,000 to supply a special cancelling die or stamp to each of the nation's 10,000 post offices.

The House unanimously passed the bill on June 20, but it was pigeonholed in the Senate until a committee can go into the matter. The Government is ready to spend billions for war weapons at the drop of a hat, it seems, but hesitates to spend a quarter of a million to ask people everywhere to "pray for peace."

Attendance at General Council Sets New Record

The 26th General Council of the Assemblies of God met in Oklahoma City, September 1 to 6, with a record number in attendance. There were 5,226 ordained ministers, church delegates, and visitors registered.

The great Municipal Auditorium was packed out for the night meetings.

Over 12,500 attended the outdoor evangelistic rally at the Fair Grounds on Sunday night.

The General Council re-elected all of its executive officers and chose Howard S. Bush, Superintendent of the South Florida District, to fill the position formerly filled by D. P. Holloway who went to be with Christ last February.

A detailed report of the General Council will appear in next week's EVANGEL together with a number of photographs.

A Call to Conquest

by R. M. Riggs



Scripture reading: Acts 1:1-8.

The World Is Ripe for Revival Now

There are many manifest evidences of this fact. Public interest in the things of God is shown by the mammoth crowds attending gospel campaigns everywhere. Pentecostal evangelists who pull no punches and display the full Pentecostal wares are attracting thousands of people and getting great results. This restoration of mass evangelism has the mark of being dispensational, for it has leaped Pentecostal bounds and is also popular among evangelicals in general.

The sale of Bibles has reached an all-time high. More Bibles are being translated into more languages, printed, read, and distributed throughout the world than ever before. Public newspapers and popular magazines often print respectful editorials on the worth of evangelical Christianity and it is cited as the hope of America and of the world today. Church attendance stands now at 46 per cent of the nation's adults. This is an increase of seven per cent in the last four years. However little this may mean in the minds of some, it certainly is a distinct and deliberate exposure of more people to gospel preaching than ever before.

The interdenominational fellowship of fundamental believers and their association together on certain occasions and for common evangelical purposes may appear to some to be a weakening of the testimony of the Pentecostal participants. Others interpret it as a recognition by other evangelicals of the general orthodoxy and the spiritual power of Pentecostal people. Since there is no sacrifice of our doctrinal position nor hiding of our Pentecostal candle, it means a strengthening and intensifying of interdenominational evangelical forces. This cannot help but be a girding for worldwide evangelism. It is an opportunity for Pentecostal people to demonstrate to other fundamental believers the holiness, grace, and spiritual fervor which God has so graciously given us.

The recent World Pentecostal Conference held in Sweden witnessed an unprecedented coming together of those who believe the full gospel. Representatives of three and a half million Pentecostal people in 34 countries on all con-



R. E. Goggin, Oklahoma District Superintendent, congratulates R. M. Riggs (holding Bible) following his re-election to the office of General Superintendent.

tinents were unwavering in their faith in Divine Healing in the blessed Atonement, the Baptism in the Holy Spirit with the speaking in other tongues as the initial physical evidence, and the imminent coming of our Lord to this earth again. Such unity in faith was sealed with sweet unity in the Spirit, and is a perfect preparation and signal for **WORLD REVIVAL NOW.**

The recent change in world attitudes manifest at Geneva and continued now at Moscow seems to invite some relaxation of world tension and give some promise of extended peace. If this is not the "peace and safety" which comes before sudden destruction, and if it is indeed a postponement of World War III, then it is God giving us another extended opportunity to evangelize this whole world with the message of His saving and healing and keeping power.

Pentecost's Part

It is not too much to say that Pentecost has come to the kingdom for such a time as this. When the Lord was launching the first great effort for world evan-

gelism He specifically instructed His disciples NOT to go out of Jerusalem until they were endued with power from on high. This power came ten days later and it was Pentecostal power—tongues and all! This Pentecostal visitation was very effective. The disciples filled Jerusalem with their doctrine. Signs and wonders were done by the name of the Holy Child Jesus. Internal sin was rebuked and punished. Holy love of a most practical sort prevailed. The devil was angered and real persecution followed.

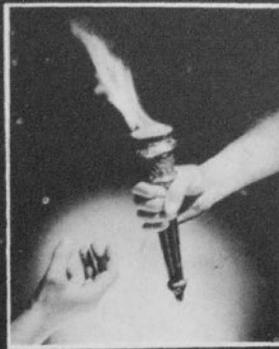
Now the end of the gospel age has come. God intends that there be a glorious climax, a full cycle, completing this age with a great burst of Pentecostal power. "He hath given you the former rain moderately, and He will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain. . . . And it shall come to pass in the last days, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy; your old men shall dream dreams; your young men shall see visions; and also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out My Spirit. And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke. The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and the terrible day of the Lord come. And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be delivered." "Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and the latter rain. Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh."

Revelation 14:14-20 gives us the picture of two harvests at the end of the age. One harvest is of the vine of the earth, which is cast into the winepress of Armageddon. The other harvest which is ripe at the same time is reaped and gathered into the garner of heaven. "He shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire; whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire." It is God's eternal

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DYNAMIC EVANGELISM

by JAMES STEWART



Christ's Church must abandon utterly every carnal device and throw herself without reserve upon the power of the supernatural.

PENTECOST WAS THE INAUGURAL DAY OF a new dispensation. In heaven the new work of the Redeemer as an intercessor had begun, and on earth the Spirit had begun to reside in the Church as a vice-regent of the Lord Jesus, and as the plenipotentiary of God. The gift of the Spirit was the proof of the enthronement of the mighty Mediator, and the initial day of a new order.

It was the opening page of a new book entitled, "The Acts of the Holy Ghost," or "The Autobiography of the Holy Spirit." It was a new beginning—the beginnings of a new spiritual life, a new relationship, a new fellowship, a new authority, and a new power. This new life created a new fellowship of men, a new race incorporated into Christ (1 Cor. 12:13; 2 Cor. 5:17; 1 Pet. 2:9). Mantled with unction, they went everywhere preaching the Word. Theirs was a spontaneous evangelism. They did not need to conduct clinics or conventions to stir the believers to evangelize the lost. Such a notion never entered their head. Saturated with the Spirit, filled with the love of Christ, bubbling over with their new-found joy, they crusaded for Christ. It was as natural with them as was breathing. "We cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard." It was spiritual combustion!

So great was their enthusiasm and aggressiveness that the enemy hurriedly called a council meeting with the theme, "How Can We Stop This Gospel Epidemic?" (Acts 4:15-17). The more these disciples were persecuted and insulted, the more dynamic they became. Soon they were accused of being "these that have turned the world upside down" (Acts 17:6). Glory! They abode in the Pentecostal atmosphere, manifested the Pentecostal fervor, preached the Pentecostal gospel, lived the Pentecostal life, and garnered a Pentecostal harvest.

Are we today living in the blessed apostolic atmosphere? "How is the gold become dim! how is the most fine gold

changed! the stones of the sanctuary are poured out in the top of every street. The precious sons of Zion, comparable to fine gold, how are they esteemed as earthen pitchers, the work of the hands of the potter!" (Lam. 4:1, 2). Palatial buildings, large membership rolls, high-salaried pastors, and popular evangelists are no proof of a dynamic Christianity. The Early Church had none of these elements of success. No sincere believer can compare conditions in our churches today with those of early Christianity without being broken down before God. A holy alarm must be sounded at this midnight hour! God must deliver us from the awful discrepancy into which we have drifted. Oh, dear child of God, this would be revival, a restoration, a recovery, and a renewal!

The godly remnant in Lamentations, after surveying the awful condition of

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Zion, cried out in agony, "Wherefore dost thou forget us for ever, and forsake us so long time? Turn thou us unto thee, O Lord, and we shall be turned; renew our days as of old" (Lam. 5:20-22). All over the globe saints must come to the place of penitence and desperation. "Oh, God, forgive us! Oh, God, bring us back to the place of simplicity and power!" The Church has allowed herself to become the custodian of dead creeds rather than the trumpeters of living faith. We are playing with the gravedigger's shovel when God wants to give us a resurrection trumpet. "Let the dead bury their dead: but go thou and preach the kingdom of God."

"There was a time when, because of the martial and uncompromising spirit, the Church found itself living in the catacombs and carrying on a kind of guerilla warfare. That, of course, was in the days when faith acted in scorn of consequence. And the Church of the catacombs was more consistent and more majestic than the Church on the stage with popular footlights."

*Pitchers for the lamps of God—
Hark! The cry goes forth abroad!
Not the beauty of the make,
But, ah, the readiness to break
Marks the vessels of the Lord,
Meet to bear the lighted Word!*

In interpreting the causes of declension and departure, we must mention three glaring sins—the reasons for the loss of purity, power, passion, and purpose.

I

The first of these sins is that fundamentalists are fighting over the doctrine of Pentecost. How tragic! The devil is laughing, souls are perishing, the heart of Christ is broken, the Spirit is grieved, and the Church is powerless. I will not argue with any believers concerning the precious Spirit. They either know Him or do not know Him. Many who have the correct terminology have no experience; and many who have the wrong phraseology have the right experience.

Whatever your exposition of this great birthday of the Church, one fact is incontestable: Pentecost is always associated with power. The greatest marvel of the Spirit's outpouring is the transformation of the disciples themselves. It turned those commonplace fishermen and tax-gatherers into prophets, teachers, and flaming heralds. Their fearfulness and timidity were burned up in the blaze of the Pentecostal baptism. You look in vain for the Peter of the judgment hall on that day! He is a new man. The Peter at the fire, and the Peter baptized with fire, have nothing akin. The Pentecostal baptism was a mantle of power, the authentic touch of God upon his life.

The Acts of the Apostles is a subse-

quent history of Pentecost. In this Book we find a pageantry of power. You can write this word power over every chapter. They had power to come out from behind closed doors. They had power to testify, power to suffer, and power to die. As my recently departed friend, "La Marechale" (the oldest child of General William Booth), so beautifully stated, "We do not have a book of the 'Resolutions of the Apostles,' but because of spiritual power and gospel triumph we have the 'Acts of the Apostles.'" It is a great Book, for therein we find great power and great grace (4:33), great fear (5:11), great wonders and miracles (6:8), a great persecution (8:1), great joy (8:8), and great suffering (9:16).

We are living in the wonderful age, the latter days of the dispensation of the Spirit. Let us stop our caviling and seek earnestly the Spirit's anointing.

II

The second great sin is the denial of the personality of the Holy Spirit. Even in evangelical circles education is sometimes placed before the blessed Spirit. We are not against culture and learning for the saints of God, but when they usurp the place of the Spirit we cry out in protest.

Well we remember visiting a well-known fundamental university to speak at the chapel service. The first question the chairman asked us evangelists was, "Have you any doctor's degrees?" He was greatly disheartened to discover that one of us had not, but was soon cheered when told that another of the party held a doctorate. I was astounded! Here was a school emphasizing the mighty work of the Holy Spirit in the Church, and yet leaning so heavily on education. We thank God for all the cultured, learned men like the apostle Paul in the Church, but the first essential of any Christian worker is the mighty anointing of the Spirit. Those who lean on degrees will "die by degrees," without the power of the Spirit. If any man could have spread the gospel by native ability and human learning, surely it was Paul. Yet the fullness of the Spirit was the supreme qualification for his ministry.

Fletcher of Madeley was for a while the principal of Lady Huntingdon's Train-College for ministers at Trevecca, Wales. One who sat under his instruction tells us how he taught. Speaking of his sessions in the classroom, he says: "Such seasons generally terminated in this—being convinced that to be filled with the Holy Ghost was a better qualification for the ministry than any classical learning. After speaking for a while in the schoolroom he used to say, 'As many of you as are athirst for the fullness of the Spirit, follow me into my room.' On this many of us would instantly follow him, and there continue for two

The Heart of the Eternal One

—by ALEXANDER SMELLIE



"God Is Love"—1 John 4:8

IT IS A LITTLE FLOWER WHICH I pluck from the garden of St. John's letter—this fragrant definition of God. Yet it suggests mysteries and miracles for which my intellect has no solution.

For it carries me away into dateless years of eternity. Always Love has been God's name; always Love has summarized and crowned God's nature. Deep in His heart it lay through these far-off years. But, even then, it cared for me, and foresaw my loss and bitterness and unrest and death. Long before my world was made, God, who is Love, was busy devising my salvation.

I look again at St. John's blossom, and I see a Cross on the Hill of Reproach. Love could not remain pent up in the breast of God. It must have egress and escape. It broke the confining barriers. The God of love, Plato

said with unconscious prophecy, would be found one day lying on the city streets, shoeless, penniless, homeless. It is true of my God. He gave Himself for me. He became, in this apostle's phrase, *the Propitiation for my sins*.

Again I lift St. John's flower, and it awakens in me a glowing hope for myself. There is none so prevalent and powerful as this God of love. I welcome Him; and my heart is transfigured, my life is sublimed. I am changed into His image. I carry His superscription. I dwell myself in love. It becomes my atmosphere and my universe.

God is Love—Love indwelling, Love outflowing and suffering, Love melting and conquering and making all things new.

or three hours seeking the face of the Lord."

III

The third great sin is compromise with the world. There is much in common between Hollywood and Modernism. Hollywood is the world's pleasure, while Modernism is the world's religion. Both belong to this present evil age (Gal. 1:4). Both are controlled by the "prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience" (Eph. 2:2). There seems to be a diabolical plot to wed the evangelicals to the world system in these last days of a dying dispensation of grace. What an unholy mess! It is sheer cant for a pastor to cry out for revival, and yet compromise with the enemies of the Cross. It is sheer hypocrisy to plead for evangelism while compromising with those who deny the evangel! A revival which is not based solely on the fundamentals of the faith is like a blaze of pine shavings which ends in smoke.

Christ has died in vain if we are not delivered from the pleasures of this world. We have heard of sincere believers seeking the Lord's face for revival in a church in which half of the other members were engaged in worldly amusements far into the night. We should as soon

have thought of hearing that the apostles sang profane songs on the day of Pentecost. May God raise up a mighty band of faithful witnesses for Christ to strike a mighty blow at this spiritual adultery.

"Thus saith the Lord, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls" (Jer. 6:14-16).

Oh, for an utter abandonment to the Spirit! Oh, for faith to abandon utterly these devices of carnality and to throw the Church without reserve upon the power of the supernatural! The Acts of the Apostles is the fountainhead of all evangelistic, revival literature. We are fully persuaded that if pastors, elders, evangelists, Bible teachers, and missionaries would go on their knees before God to study this glorious textbook, they would be led into the mighty experience of the first principles. Whenever, in any period of the Church's history, a little company has sprung up plastic and pliable in the hands of the divine Spirit, then a new Pentecost has dawned. Let us go forth in the might of the Spirit to the ends of the earth proclaiming the old-fashioned gospel, sharing in our own experience the reality of its glorious message!

A Changing Continent Needs The Changeless Christ

Officials in Daveytown Present Rare Opportunity for Eternal Investment

by EDGAR D. PETTENDER, South Africa



Vernon Pettenger with S. S. workers at Daveytown

AFRICA, LONG KNOWN AS "THE DARK Continent," is today a fast and tremendously changing continent. Being controlled politically by various European nations, vast areas have been and are being opened up to secure the natural resources of the various territories. This is especially true in Southern Africa. To obtain these precious minerals great centers of population have been opened up and this has created mission fields among the natives such as never existed in our early days. Now it is possible for us to reach thousands with the gospel who would not otherwise hear.

In one of these new centers resulting from the changing conditions, we were able to build a lovely new church. This was made possible through the gifts of our churches and people both here in the U.S.A. and in Africa. From the time of dedication onward for over fifteen months the church has been packed to the doors with heathen: conviction has rested upon them; hundreds have been saved. In one year over 700 have been baptized in water, a large percentage of them having received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.

About eighty miles from this revival area we have another free grant of land upon which to build a new church. This is in Daveytown, about twenty miles east of Johannesburg. Within a ten-mile ra-

dius of the new African city there is a population of over 200,000. In three months alone over 27,000 new residents have moved into Daveytown and more are still moving in. About 100,000 of these residents will be within walking distance of the church building we will erect.

The Assembly of God is the first church to secure a site here. This is due to the opening of Sunday School work in a great shanty town by Mrs. Edgar Pettenger, who, having no building, carried on for two years in the open with about 400 children. The authorities told us that they had taken note of our work and that when the new location opened we would be given first place in the list of applications.

The following is a portion of a letter we received from the authorities, dated May 9, 1955:

"There being a heavy demand for mission sites in Daveytown and the NEED FOR SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT BEING GREAT, it must be pointed out that in the event of your mission failing to commence its building within six months, it will be necessary for my council to re-allocate the site to some other suitable missionary organization."

The application was made before we left Africa and the site has been granted. November, 1955, is the deadline to commence building operations. We cannot afford to lose this golden opportunity. If we do, we cannot obtain another in the future. \$6,500 will meet the need and \$1,500 has already come in. Help us meet this tremendous challenge! Surely God intends us to go through with it. This is a glorious opportunity for eternal dividends in souls. Our changeless Christ who has been so gracious to us in this revival can meet the needs now for this new evangelistic center. He will do it through you as you send your gifts to the Foreign Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri, marked "Daveytown Building Fund."



New buildings mean changing conditions in urban areas.

Vernon Pettenger with Sunday School on new site

Many new houses have been erected at Daveytown



"FAREWELL, AMERICA!"

Says Lillian Trasher, Nile Mother



My Dear Friends:

It is with mixed feelings of sadness and joy that I sit down to write you a letter before leaving beautiful America and all of you wonderful friends, to go back to Egypt to my darling children. Somehow, I never thought I was going to feel so sad at parting. It has been a beautiful dream; seeing old friends and meeting thousands of people who have been helping me for years; rushing from place to place, being met at every airport and station by smiling faces. It does not seem possible that most of those welcoming smiles were from strangers—no, they were not strangers, but friends and relations bound together by the love of Christ.

The thousands of earnest, kindly faces who looked up at me in hundreds of churches, eagerly waiting for what I could tell them of my children and God's faithfulness, I'll never forget, not even in eternity! The sight of young girls and boys who came weeping to the altar, saying in their hearts, "Here am I, Lord; send me," will live in my memory. I'll live it over and over again when I'm back where I belong.

I had not thought that I would have the pleasure of seeing America again, but God gave me this bonus. It has been so much more wonderful than I had imagined it could be. God gave me strength to travel and speak in so many places. I am sure that He gave me special strength that I might be able to help and encourage young people who were

not quite certain that they might dare step out entirely on God's promises.

The wonderful financial help will make everything so different when I get back, and the large amount of equipment which has been arriving safely each month, free of duty, not even opened by the authorities, will be a lasting blessing to the orphanage.

Giving out the clothing, toys, etc., sent by the ladies of the W.M.C. will be my next joy (after kissing the babies). Just imagine having, perhaps, too many diapers—now we will just have to get new babies.

God bless you all! It will be thrilling to have enough of all the things I've dreamed of all my life—"When my ship comes in." Well, it has come in! Thanks to the pastors, and W.M.C. ladies, and of course the General Council staff at Springfield and all the help and encouragement they have given me to bring all this to pass. I sincerely thank Mrs. George Carmichael who arranged everything for me long before I left Egypt and until my return.

It has been wonderful seeing you! I loved every minute of it, but now I must wake up from my dream and go back "home" to the corner which God has prepared for me.

Good-by! Don't feel sad; I'm still dreaming—not of America now, but of my babies. Good-by again.

Your friend,
LILLIAN TRASHER

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Eastern	12,753.54	Oregon	11,413.28
Georgia	1,851.66	Polish Br.	68.00
German Br.	160.15	Potomac	5,315.61
Greek Br.	100.00	Rocky Mtn. ...	3,381.55
Hungarian Br. ..	135.00	S. Calif.	22,291.55
Illinois	8,453.74	South Carolina ..	383.90
Indiana	4,617.21	South Dakota ..	1,393.68
Italian Br.	130.00	South Florida ..	3,639.56
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Lat. Amer. Br. ...	955.25	Texas	8,470.36
Louisiana	1,263.50	West Central	4,093.91
Michigan	9,467.58	West Florida ..	1,862.31
Minnesota	10,423.64	West Texas	4,657.00
Mississippi	793.50	Wisc.-N. Mich. ..	4,969.52
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Nebraska	2,761.68	Alaska	92.52
New England	2,445.74	Canada	199.90
New Jersey	4,579.72	Hawaii	163.95
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New York	6,338.35	Miscellaneous ..	162.21
N. Calif.-Nev. ...	14,825.44	Legacies	2,001.61
North Carolina ..	764.59		
Total Amount Reported			\$233,470.08
District Funds	\$12,620.68		
National Home Missions	2,835.41		
Office Expense	3,725.40		
Given Direct to Foreign Missions	38,236.37	\$57,417.86	
Received for Council Foreign Missions		\$176,852.22	
Received for Non-Council Foreign Missions		4,667.90	
Missionary Offerings not Allocated to any State		28,027.86	
			\$208,747.98

DISBURSEMENTS

Support	\$101,031.27
Equipment	19,351.05
Work	66,728.62
National Workers	9,922.75
Deputational Returns	1,868.35
Buildings	14,196.25
Travel	21,812.45
	\$234,910.74
Hold Accounts	26,162.76
Total Receipts	\$208,747.98

Peruvian Women to Get Vote

It is reported that women will have the right to vote in the presidential election in 1956 for the first time in the history of Peru.

Another Latin-American nation that has made progress toward greater liberty is Guatemala. The new government in that land has announced its intention of establishing twelve fundamental rights, the first of which is freedom of worship. It already has taken open issue with the Roman Catholic church for interference in matters of state.

MISSIONARY News Notes

R. J. Renfroe and family have returned to Liberia for another term of service. They sailed on the M.V. Ryndam on August 25.

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Glenna Lillibridge of Pakistan arrived in the States on furlough August 12. Her present address is Box 124, Edna, Kansas.

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John F. Hall and family have recently returned from Africa. They can be reached at 118 South Orange Ave., Brea, California.



Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Renfroe
Liberia

Send Foreign Missionary offerings to
NOEL PERKIN, SECRETARY
FOREIGN MISSIONS
DEPARTMENT

434 W. Pacific St., Springfield 1, Mo.

JESUS PROMISED TO SEND THE SPIRIT—John 16:7-14

“I will send him [the Comforter] unto you.”

This is one of the two great promises Jesus made to His disciples prior to His ascension. On the Day of Pentecost, the coming of the Holy Spirit puzzled the unlearned and bewildered the skeptics, but it set ablaze with heavenly wind and fire the awaiting believers. Wind and fire are important factors in this day of atomic energy, and it is notable that these symbols should be used in the Holy Spirit's descent to energize the Church into continuous action, until the other great promise (the return of Jesus) should be fulfilled.

Jesus Himself is the theme of Pentecost, for Peter declared on that Day, “Jesus... hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear.” Ecstasy, joy, and emotionalism do not produce Pentecost; but joy in the Holy Spirit and other graces accompany the baptism of the Spirit. The descent of the Holy Spirit on the Day of Pentecost was one of the infallible proofs that Jesus had ascended to the right hand of the Father. Further, each baptism of the Holy Spirit today is a continued assurance to all believers of the position of Jesus as our great High Priest.

—ANDREW STIRLING

THURSDAY, September 29

AWAITING THE SPIRIT'S ARRIVAL—Luke 24:50-53; Acts 1:12-14

The disciples had just seen Jesus ascend into heaven. Now they were returning joyfully to Jerusalem to await the coming of the Holy Spirit, in obedience to His command. Jesus had told them not to depart from Jerusalem until they were endued with power from on high.

HE HAS SOMETHING TO SELL, TOO



Daily
DEVOTIONS

BIBLE READINGS BASED ON NEXT WEEK'S SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

...they searched the Scriptures daily

MONDAY, September 26

POWER FOR WITNESSING—Acts 1:1-9

“Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you” (v. 8).

The baptism of the Holy Ghost is God's answer to man's despair—despair over his utter powerlessness to live up to the divine commands. But “it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of His good pleasure” (Phil. 2:13). Both the desire to live for God and the power to do so are gifts from God.

It is possible that we have sometimes failed to see in this verse (Acts 1:8) all that it promises. If we confine the power of the Spirit in our lives just to effective witnessing, then we surely limit its scope and grasp but part of the truth. Jesus did not say that the sole effect and benefit of this power was to be manifested in witnessing. Rather, His offer was power for every need of life! As a man with money in the bank can draw upon his account to meet his financial needs, so the Christian who is baptized in the Spirit can draw upon His power for every spiritual need of his life.

Power to witness? Yes, but also power to pray, power to meet life's storms triumphantly, power to overcome evil, and power to do the will of God fully.

—ARNE VICK

TUESDAY, September 27

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S COMING FORETOLD—Joel 2:28-32

“I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh” (v. 28).

In Old Testament times only certain individuals were anointed by the Spirit. Only a few were given visions and dreams by the Lord. God used the prophets as special vessels through whom He visited and worked with His people. There had been no general effusion of the Holy Spirit. Very few ever knew the power and glory of the Divine Presence.

Those chosen by God to be His prophets and representatives were men, in most cases—free men of the Jewish race. But in the last days, the Lord promised, this order would be changed. No longer would just a small number of persons be anointed of God; no longer would He confine the revelation of Himself to free men or to Jews. All flesh—both men and women, old and young, Jews and Gentiles, free and bond—would be recipients of His glorious, guiding, empowering Spirit.

“For the promise [of the Spirit] is unto you [adult Jews], and to your children [the young, male and female], and to all that are afar off [Gentiles], even as many as the Lord our God shall call [believers of every station in life].”

—RUTH RACHEL SPECTER

The followers of the Lord spent the time between the Ascension and the close of the Feast of Weeks waiting for that promised endowment. They tarried in sincere worship, continually praising and blessing the name of the Lord. The prophet Joel had said, "Be glad then, ye children of Zion, and rejoice in the Lord your God: for he hath given you the former rain moderately, and he will cause to come down . . . the latter rain in the first month." The disciples were experiencing that spiritual gladness and joy while waiting for the Holy Spirit to fall upon them.

They were not disappointed, for "when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were . . . all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." Oh, happy day, when the Spirit comes into our lives as He came on that glorious day of Pentecost! Thank God, the promise is not confined either to that day or to those early disciples; a Pentecostal outpouring is available to "as many as the Lord our God shall call." The Holy Spirit is being poured out "upon all flesh" in these last days.

—W. B. McCafferty

FRIDAY, September 30

THE JOY OF WITNESSING—Acts 8:5-12

"And there was great joy in that city" (v. 8).

The former things had passed away. No longer did pain, disease, weakness, evil spirits possess the lives of the people in Samaria. Now they had joy and peace in their hearts. Even Philip's heart was overflowing with joy. The same Holy Spirit who moved him to preach Christ as the Deliverer, moved him to rejoice and be exceeding glad. Philip could enter into their joy, for he had known their pain and sorrow.

This was not the first time joy had come to Samaria. On one occasion Jesus had paused to talk with a sinner from this same city. Recall how the hungry-hearted woman, after she had received forgiveness from Christ, ran in haste to tell others of the good news in which she was rejoicing. Both Christ and the woman were filled with joy on that occasion.

Probably the testimony of this same woman had laid the groundwork for the revival in Samaria. When Philip arrived and began to preach Christ, the city was ripe for harvest. Surely the convert of Samaria now had reason to experience joy even above that which accompanied her experience of salvation. She had sown the seed; now the harvest had come. "He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him" (Psa. 126:6).

—C. W. Denton

HOW TO BECOME A CHRISTIAN

NO ONE CAN BE SAVED UNLESS HE IS born again by the power of God's Spirit. Christ says, in John 3:7, "Ye must be born again."

No performance of religious rites will take the place of the new birth. A great many people are depending upon the fact that they say their prayers, read their Bibles, go to church, partake of the sacrament, and perform other duties; but all that will not take the place of the new birth.

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CULTURE AND REFINEMENT AND OUTWARD correctness of life will not take the place of the new birth. The trouble is not merely with our outward life; the trouble is in the heart, in the very deepest depths of our inward life, and merely to reform your outward life will not save you.

Suppose I had a rotten apple. I could take that apple to an artist, have him put a coating of wax upon it, and then paint it till it was the most beautiful looking apple you ever saw, but it would be just as rotten at heart as ever, and one bite into it would be a bite into decay. The trouble is that out of Christ you are wrong in heart, and mere culture, mere refinement, mere respectability, mere morality, is simply a coating of wax on the outside painted up. You must be changed down to the deepest depths of your being. "Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God."

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THE GREATEST TRUTHS, THE TRUTHS OF most significance for time and for eternity, cannot be learned by mere investigation and study. They cannot be reasoned out. They must be seen. The only one

who can see them is the one whose eye is cleared by absolute surrender to God. "If therefore thine eye be single," says Jesus, "thy whole body shall be full of light. But if thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness." A surrendered life and will is the secret of light and knowledge. Many a man has confided to me how he was wandering in the dark, not knowing what he believed, and not quite sure if he believed anything. To such I have put the questions: "Will you surrender your will to God? Will you give yourself up to God, for Him to do what He will with you?" And not a single one who has done it but has soon said, "My doubts are gone, my darkness is gone. It is all light now."

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ARE YOU BORN AGAIN? NOW, I THINK a good many will say, "No, I am not. Can you tell me what I must do right now to be born again?" I can. Our Lord Jesus Christ preached, "Repent ye and believe the Gospel." Repentance is turning from sin to God. The Gospel message has power in it to transform your life (John 3:16).

John 1:12 says: "As many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His Name." We are born again by God's Holy Spirit through His Word the moment we receive Christ. When you take Christ into your heart, He transforms you through and through in a moment. I care not how worldly you are, I care not how sinful you are, I care not how hard you are—anyone today who will throw his heart open and let Jesus come in to rule and reign, God will make that one a new creature.

—R. A. Torrey

SATURDAY, October 1

THE FRUIT OF WITNESSING—Acts 8:26-38

"And Philip ran thither to him" (v. 30).

An unflinching aggressiveness such as Philip's is part of the required panoply of the Christian witness. For Philip to have hesitated might have cost him the golden opportunity to blast this black diamond from the pit of spiritual darkness.

While riding after dark along the highways which sew the patchwork of fields together I have been stung with conviction to see a solitary beam of light illuminating the furrow being plowed by the industrious farmer. Such dedication

to a task deserves much fruit.

Considering the seemingly unreasonable command of the Spirit to Philip, we might be tempted to excuse him should he have been too cautious to run after this Ethiopian chariot, but there are times when caution can become a convenient excuse for spiritual lethargy. And man has no reason to fear when the Spirit leads.

We may all enjoy the fruits of witnessing, if we will devote ourselves so completely to this ministry that we find ourselves jumping at each opportunity to tell the gospel story.

—GORDON PREISER

Sunday School lesson for October 2, 1955—
"Power for Witnessing" (Acts 1:1-9).



God Performs Miracles at Camps for the Deaf

—by Alice W. Cappleman, National Home Missions Department



Mary Louise Hill

Shortly after the Kansas Camp for the Deaf which was held in July, the following letter was received in the office of the National Home Missions Department:

Dear Friends:

My daughter, Mary Louise Hill, who is deaf, recently attended your summer camp for the deaf in Kansas. She came home very much renewed in faith and received great blessings in every way. She was prayed for while at camp, and her eyes were healed so that she no longer wears glasses. Her fellow-employees can scarcely believe that such a miracle has happened to her, as her eyes have always been very bad.

Mrs. Nannie B. Hill
Pasadena, California

Another camper had spent many sleepless nights because he was uncertain about his personal salvation. One morning during the camp he testified, "Now the matter is fully settled. Now I know I am ready to meet God. I had the most peaceful night's sleep last night that I have had in a long time."

One of the campers at Michigan was an Italian girl who, together with her parents, had been converted from Catholicism. Her home church did not conduct services for the Deaf. Becoming discouraged, she had requested permission from her parents to go back to the Catholic church in order to have fellowship with her Deaf friends.

While at the camp, she enjoyed Christian fellowship with other Full Gospel Deaf for the first time. She had known that she was saved, but had longed for Pentecostal friends. This need was met at the camp.

Camps for the Deaf are held each summer as a means of winning lost souls. At the Michigan camp alone, more than a score of Deaf found Christ in the opening evangelistic services. No one can dispute the fact that these camps have been successful in their purpose.

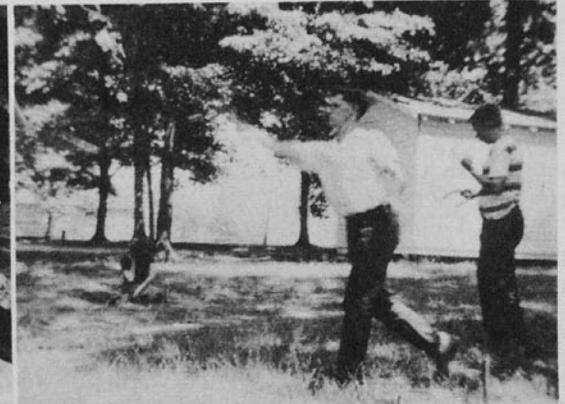
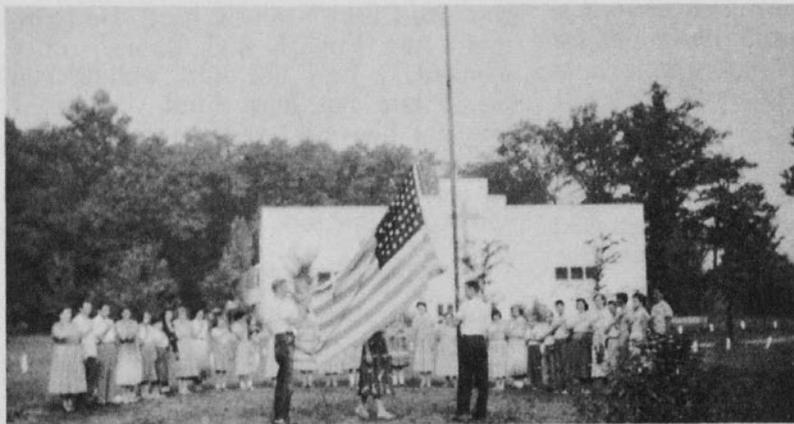
The staff of the camps has labored untiringly and at great sacrifice to them-

selves. One worker traveled at her own expense from Kansas to Colorado and then to Indiana and Michigan. This individual could have had a remunerative position during the summer. Because of her great concern for the Deaf, she chose instead to minister in the Deaf Camps without promise of financial assistance.

Surely "The laborer is worthy of his hire." Yet these laborers have not asked for "hire." They have been obedient to the admonition of the apostle Paul to "spend and be spent" for Christ.

Won't you help them? Your gift designated DEAF CAMPS will help to relieve a pressing financial situation in which these workers find themselves. Your gift today will bring great joy and blessing. Send all offerings to:

HOME MISSIONS DEPARTMENT
434 WEST PACIFIC STREET
SPRINGFIELD 1, MISSOURI



TOP LEFT—Flag raising at camp. TOP RIGHT—Lining up for breakfast. LOWER LEFT—Singing in sign language. LOWER CENTER—Handwork. LOWER RIGHT—Time out for a little recreation.

NOTICE

Brother E. O. Stellrecht, who formerly had charge of the Bylas Indian church at Bylas, Arizona, asked to be relieved of this responsibility because of his wife's ill health. Brother and Sister Roy Nelson have been appointed to succeed the Stellrechts and are now in full charge of the work. Will friends who have been supporting the Bylas work with their offerings kindly send them to Brother and Sister Nelson, or address them to the National Home Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri, designated for the Bylas church. Please continue to pray for Bylas.

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A Call to Conquest

ordination that there shall be Holy Ghost rain both at the beginning and at the end of the gospel age. Both events are now a matter of historical record. This Pentecostal revival, through which the Assemblies of God was born, is here on time in God's schedule. It is here to ripen the world gospel harvest for the reaping. It is God's will and His gracious gift. But there must be receptive hearts and willing co-workers with God.

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly"—God came forth and poured out His Holy Spirit upon the waiting, willing disciples. They received and prophesied and went forth and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following. The hour of God's visitation in the last days is upon us. The latter rain has been falling for fifty years. It is still falling, thank God, even with increased intensity. As with the former rain, there must be receptive hearts and willing co-workers with God. You and I have received as on the day of Pentecost. We must present our bodies, our lives and our all upon His sacred altar to carry this holy flame to the ends of our world. Pentecost is tailored of God for this very hour. Beloved, it is powerful and altogether sufficient for the need of this hour. Let us march under its banner and its cloud of blessing to God's appointed victory.

Signs and Wonders

In Eden there was a flaming sword which turned every way to keep the way of the tree of life. When Joshua was by Jericho he lifted up his eyes and looked; and behold, there stood a man over against him with a sword drawn in his hand. That Captain of the host of the Lord is with us today. And He still has a drawn sword in His hand. The glittering sword of God's offensive warfare is the signs and wonders with which He accompanies the gospel message. It was in the hand of Moses, but the symbol then was the rod. With it he smote the waters and they divided. With it he smote the rock and it gushed forth life-giving waters. There was a glorious succession of signs and wonders not only in the land of Ham but all along the wilderness journey. Nor did they cease when Joshua faced a swollen Jordan river or towering walls of Jericho. God threw rocks at their enemies. "The Lord discomfited them before Israel and slew them with a great slaughter at Gibeon. And it came to pass as they fled before Israel that the Lord cast down great stones from heaven upon them and they died: they were more that died with

hailstones than they whom the children of Israel slew with the sword." This rock-throwing God went on ahead of His people. He felled Goliath with one well-placed stone and gave a mighty victory in Israel that day.

God's own Son was equipped with this sufficient weapon. "Jesus of Nazareth went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil, for God was with him." And He cited this power as proof that God was with Him. "Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father in me; or else believe me for the very works' sake." "Many good works have I showed you from my Father." "The works which my Father hath given me to finish, the same works that I do, bear witness of me that the Father hath sent me."

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And He specifically equipped His disciples with this power. "These signs shall follow them that believe. In my name they shall cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover." The early disciples had the humility and the faith to use this mighty power aright. More accurately stated, they prayed that God would stretch forth His hand to heal; and that signs and wonders would be done by the name of the Holy Child Jesus. When the crowds gathered, as they were meant to be gathered by such miracles, Peter preached to them. First of all he disclaimed any credit for himself or his companions for the miracle. "Why look ye so earnestly upon us, as though by our own power or holiness we had made this man to walk. . . . His name, through faith in his name, hath made this man strong, whom ye see and know; yea, the faith which is by him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all." He did not claim for himself either power, or holiness, or faith, but gave all the credit and all the glory to the Lord Jesus Christ. It must be always thus in the exercise of God's power and the manifestation of His signs and wonders. God granted special miracles by the hands of Peter and Paul for the successful proclamation and propagation of the gospel.

Beloved, this power belongs to Pentecost. Pentecost is not complete without it. From the first visitation at the beginning of this century the preached Word has been accompanied with signs following. Granted times of lukewarmness on the part of some, and times of excess on the part of others (and may God forgive us for them both) this is no time to belabor each other for our faults. Let us pray God to forgive us for them all. Let us all stand up, take our sword in

This Week's Cover

The beautiful house of worship shown on this week's cover was dedicated April 25 amid much rejoicing on the part of the people who sacrificed to make it a reality. It is the new home of the First Assembly of God in Clearwater, Florida, where A. L. Shell, Jr. is pastor.

H. S. Bush, District Superintendent, was the dedication speaker, and the choir of South-Eastern Bible Institute rendered special music.

This building became a burden on the heart of the former pastor, D. N. Asbury, but because of failing health he had to resign before the new church was erected. Brother Shell became the pastor in June, 1954, and construction began that fall.

During the building program the spiritual life of the church was not neglected. A fine group of men and women spent many hours in prayer. This year more than fifty souls have been saved and more than twenty-five believers have received the baptism in the Holy Spirit. The Sunday School attendance has been increasing steadily, and the average for this year is 256.

Nor has the church's giving to other projects suffered. Last year this church ranked second among all the South Florida churches in total missionary giving. During the seven months of building, the missionary offerings actually increased, as well as the offerings to other departments of the District Council and General Council work. Brother Shell attributes this to the fact that the people have put God first; God has honored them by supplying their need.

Many business firms in the city provided materials for the new church at wholesale prices. The men of the congregation furnished most of the labor. These savings enabled the church to have a building valued at \$60,000 for a cost of only \$32,000 including \$6,000 worth of furnishings. The church is 60 by 90 feet; with a five-foot overhang on all sides. Constructed of concrete blocks, with cream stucco finish outside and green plaster walls with white ceiling inside, the building seats 500 people.

our hand, face forward, and go forth to victory.

An Army With Banners

In the beautiful Song of Songs which is Solomon's, the Spirit describes the church as "terrible as an army with banners." Let me cite you some of those banners.

Since the church is the very body of the supernatural Son of God, the banners which she carries are all supernatural. A church that is not supernatural is not Christ's church. If we lose our supernatural character we have lost our divine character and are of the earth, earthy.

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SUPERNATURAL BIRTH. Like her divine head, the church came into existence by a miracle. The virgin birth of our Lord is a keystone doctrine of the Christian belief. The church also is born from above. "Not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God." Not reformation, not self-improvement, not education, or legislation. Not the social gospel, or salvation by character. The church came into existence through a new birth by the wonderful life-giving power of the Holy Spirit of God. "Except a man be born from above, he cannot see the kingdom of God." The church is supernaturally born. She is partaker of the divine nature. It is therefore not to be wondered at or considered strange that she should manifest divine qualities and divine power. This divine, supernatural nature is yours, O people of God. Realize it. Acknowledge it. Profess it and live it. "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

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SUPERNATURAL RIGHTEOUSNESS. One of the first lessons which a Christian should learn is the source of true righteousness. His divine birth and nature unite him with that source, but many Christians do not seem to realize it. Abraham believed God and it was counted to him for righteousness. Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth. "Not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith." "Christ is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption." "This is the will of God, even your sanctification." "The very God of peace sanctify you wholly." His church is a holy church, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing. "Without holiness no man shall see the Lord." "There shall in no wise enter into that city any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie." His church, God's church, our church must be clean and pure and holy.

REVIVALTIME To Be Released From Shrine Mosque on September 25

Nationwide Prayer Meeting for World Missions to Follow
United Rally in Large Springfield Auditorium

This Sunday, September 25, millions of listeners to REVIVALTIME will be invited to unite in a great nationwide prayer meeting. Ninety-nine of the top priority prayer requests from the mission fields of the world will be taken before the Throne of Grace in fervent intercession at this time.

The REVIVALTIME broadcast of this date will be released from the Shrine Mosque in Springfield, Missouri. The local Assemblies of God churches will dismiss their regular services to co-operate in a joint Revivaltime-Missionary Rally in the large downtown auditorium.

Ralph Byrd, Pastor of Faith Memorial Church in Atlanta, Georgia, and Melvin L. Hodges, Field Secretary for Latin America, will be featured in the rally. Brother Byrd has just returned from scenes of great revival in the



M. L. Hodges



Ralph Byrd

Philippines, and Brother Hodges will bring a first-hand report of revival in Latin America.

At the close of the rally, the audience at the Shrine Mosque will be invited to join with radio listeners in all parts of the nation in prayer for urgent missionary needs. Undoubtedly the results of this prayer meeting will be seen all over the world as God graciously answers the earnest prayers of His intercessors.

REVIVALTIME—P. O. Box 70—Springfield, Missouri

I like the charge that we are "holiness people." May it ever be so in the truest sense. This is one of our banners, "Jehovah-Tsidkeku," the Lord our righteousness. Especially must our ministers and missionaries be debt-paying, truth-telling, clean-living people, walking in all humility and godliness. And may all our people be no less holy. We may have and we must have righteousness, God's righteousness, as a prominent banner floating at the head of this church-army.

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SUPERNATURAL HEALING. A cardinal doctrine of the Pentecostal movement is Divine Healing. The signs and wonders referred to above are the lightning flashes of this Pentecostal storm. But there is a steady constant provision for our bodies in the precious Atonement. If Divine Healing were only to draw crowds and prove the supernatural quality of the gospel, why did God "set in the church first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healing," etc.? Why did He specifically instruct believers in time of sickness to call for the elders of the church, and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil, and promise that He would save the sick and raise them up? This clearly indicates that it is the regular provision of God that the gifts of healings should

operate in the church as long as the church exists on earth, and that deliverance from sickness by praying and anointing should be the privilege and heritage of God's people throughout the age. Let not our faith in and practice of this glorious benefit of Calvary be corrupted by contentions as to the place which doctors and medicines hold in the economy of God, or how great a sin it is to "lean on the arm of flesh," or why God does not always heal immediately or completely. Beware lest our intended faith turn into spiritual pride. "The secret things belong unto our God: but those things which are revealed belong unto us and to our children for ever, that we may DO all the words of this law." Let us DO all the things that we do know, and leave to God and the revelation of heaven the many things we do not yet know.

Don't let the banner of Divine Healing be torn by contention, nor let it drag or fall as we march on for God. It is God's will that we should prosper and be in health, even as our souls prosper. It is His will that our whole spirit, soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Without any doubt, sickness is a result of the fall and is the work of the devil. It is Christ's program to destroy the

Hear C. M. Ward on REVIVALTIME ...

THESE ALL DIED IN FAITH (Heb. 11:13)

SERMON SUBJECT FOR SEPTEMBER 25

SUNDAY 10:30 P.M. ABC NETWORK



works of the devil, and we are marching in Christ's army to fulfill His will and purpose. Deliverance from sickness is a crying need of humanity, and the perfect gift of Calvary includes healing and health for our bodies. Accept it, believe it, practice it, and preach it.

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SUPERNATURAL GIFTS. The banner of the gifts of miracles and Divine Healing are of the same color and texture as the banner of the baptism in the Holy Spirit and the other gifts of the Holy Ghost. The Pentecostal people are the only evangelicals today that accept and enjoy the baptism in the Holy Spirit as experienced on the day of Pentecost. We do not forbid to speak with tongues. We do not quench the Spirit, and we despise not prophesying. We seek sincerely to let there be duplicated in our services the Pentecostal power and free operations of the Spirit and His gifts as manifested in the early church and described in the New Testament. Let the world know that this despised doctrine and practice of ours is responsible under God for the growth the Lord has given us and for the warmth and power of our services. This is the significance of the word "Pentecostal." This is our distinctive testimony. We are not ashamed of this gospel for it is power. We must and will display this banner. Our strength, our power, our glory and our very life will be undermined, will waver and will fall if we deny this testimony or diminish its emphasis. As Paul enjoined, we must "be filled with the Spirit." We must keep filled with the Spirit. We must be fully Pentecostal and forever remain Pentecostal through and through. The salvation of souls is our first objective. But the salvation of souls is the work of the Holy Spirit. As we keep filled with the Spirit we are the better able to win souls for our Lord.

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SUPERNATURAL POWER. Another banner which we display and which helps make the church "terrible" is the banner of faith in the power of God. "Not that we are sufficient of ourselves, to think anything as of ourselves, but our sufficiency is of God." For He has said, "My grace is sufficient for thee, for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of

Christ may rest upon me." "I know that in me (that is, in my flesh) dwelleth no good thing." But "I can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me." "With God all things are possible" and "all things are possible to him that believeth." We know that "God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty. And base things of the world, and things which are despised, hath God chosen, yea, and things which are not, to bring to nought the things that are." We frankly admit we are of this class. What does it matter, if the power of God can rest upon us? "Fear not, thou worm Jacob... thou shalt thresh the mountains and beat them small." Who would not be God's worry if he could thresh a mountain?

We might be tempted to say with Paul, "If any other man thinketh that he hath whereof to boast in the flesh, I more." We have conducted the world's largest Sunday School convention. They say we are America's fastest-growing denomination. In church membership we rank 29th among American denominations but in Sunday School enrollment we are seventh and in total number of foreign missionaries we are sixth. We have a democratic form of church government which is in the best American tradition. It is the American citizen's conception of independence and freedom. We have a high, yet spiritually attainable, standard of personal righteousness. We have an organization that is tightly knit and smooth working though it is world-wide and expanding rapidly. But YET, God forbid that we should glory in these things. All that we have is God's gift and the result of the working of His own Spirit in and among us. Our dependence today, and always, is in His power and His presence. We will advance in the name and under the banner of our God.

SUPERNATURAL TRANSLATION. Christ's own life was a succession of miracles. His birth was miraculous. Miracles attended His ministry. His resurrection was a mighty miracle. And His ascension also was miraculous. We follow in His train. Supernatural birth, supernatural righteousness, supernatural healing, supernatural gifts, supernatural power, and supernatural glorious translation.

When Titus' armies surrounded Jerusalem in 69 A. D., the Jews, Christians, and all, were bottled up in the city. He heard a rumor that the Egyptians were marching against him, so he pitched camp and advanced southward to meet them. THEN the Christians remembered the word of their Lord, "When ye see Jerusalem encompassed with armies, flee. Let them which are in Jerusalem flee to the mountains, and let them which are in the midst of it depart out." They fled every one of them, when Titus withdrew. When he returned to the siege and destruction of the city, not one Christian remained in the city. If we have a respite from world desolation, it is only to give us a last chance to obey His command to evangelize the world. The time is short. The night cometh. And when the final call has been made, the last soul brought to the Lord, the last person told of Christ's salvation, THEN our "Lord shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God. The dead in Christ shall rise first. Then we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall be caught up with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so shall we ever be with the Lord." A supernatural climax to supernatural life and ministry. It is a bright and shining banner. "Looking for that blessed hope and the glorious appearing of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

Faith Is Victory

And now, who is there among us that will not believe his God? This was the great sin of Israel. They had hardly come out of Egypt when they began to murmur. "He called the name of the place Massah and Meribah, because of the chiding of the children of Israel, and because they tempted the Lord, saying, Is the Lord among us or not?" "Yea, they turned back and tempted God, and limited the Holy One of Israel." Oh, let us not tempt Christ as some of them also tempted and were destroyed of the destroyer. "Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God."

God is with us. "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." If there is any separation between us and God it will be on our part. He is a living, faithful God. Let us not have an evil heart of unbelief and ask, Is the Lord among us or not? "Say not thou, What is the cause that the former days were better than these? for thou dost not enquire wisely concerning this" (Eccl. 7:10). Your inquiry, brother, may really be unbelief on your part. God is among His people. We are His people and He is among us—now. "With whom was he provoked forty years?... To whom



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swear he that they should not enter into his rest, but to them that *believed* not? So we see that they could not enter in because of unbelief." The ten spies were calamity-howlers and crepe-hangers. They said, "We are not able." Caleb and Joshua said, "Let us go up at once and possess the land; for we are well able to overcome it. . . . If the Lord delight in us, then he will bring us into this land and give it to us. . . . Only rebel not ye against the Lord, neither fear ye the people of the land. The Lord is with you; fear them not." You know the end of that story. The Lord almost destroyed them on the spot; but He settled with Moses for forty years' wandering in the wilderness, and death at last to all the rebels. "But your little ones which ye said should be a prey, them will I bring in, and they shall know the land which ye have despised."

Beloved friends, we stand today upon the threshold of a mighty Land of Promise. A world-wide revival is ours for the asking and the taking. In the face of the experience of the children of Israel, we dare not duplicate their sin. Ours would be manifold greater for we have the record of their sin of unbelief and its terrible results to warn us. The conquest which we face and to which we are invited is not of material walled cities, or a literal land of milk and honey. It is a harvest of never-dying souls that await a Holy Ghost reaping. God is far more interested in seeing this harvest reaped than He was in giving Canaan

to the children of Israel. He is just as able to level the giants before us as He was to fell Goliath. He is the living God. Shall we run to meet our enemies in the name of the Lord of hosts, "that all the earth," as David said, "may know that there is a God in Israel"? Or shall we slink back to our comfortable homes, our feathered nests and our personal security? Our Christ issues a ringing call to forsake all that we have and follow Him. "Whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be my disciple." But "verily I say unto you, there is no man that hath left house, or parents, or brethren, or wife, or children, for the kingdom of God's sake, who shall not receive manifold more in this present time, and in the world to come life everlasting." As a church we are united and trained and ready. It only remains for us to arise in His faith and in His name, gird our loins, step out in faith, and proceed firmly and triumphantly to the world revival that awaits us.

COMING MEETINGS

Notices should reach us three weeks in advance, due to the fact that the Evangel is made up 19 days before the date which appears upon it.

PITTSBURG, KANS.—First Assembly of God, 9th at Pine St., began Sept. 11; Evangelist and Mrs. Moses Copeland.—by Russell Rexroat, Pastor.

HASKELL, TEX.—Homecoming at the Assembly of God, Sept. 25; M. B. Netzel, Texas District Superintendent, morning speaker. Afternoon and night speakers to be announced. Basket dinner on grounds at noon.—by A. W. Waller, Pastor.

CHILDRESS, TEX.—First Assembly of God, begins Sept. 26; George Evangelistic Team, Hobbs, N. Mex. (Ross Davis is Pastor.)

JAL, N. MEX.—First Assembly of God, Sept. 27—Oct. 16; Evangelists Lee and Bonnie Jean Krupnick.—by Melvin Sasse, Pastor.

GEORGETOWN, S. C.—Assembly of God, Sept. 27—Oct. 9; Evangelist A. L. Todd. (A. T. Hickman is Pastor.)

OTTAWA, KANS.—Assembly of God, began Sept. 11; Evangelist Paul Glover and Jim Collins.—by Jonathan Harrell, Pastor.

WESTERVILLE, NEBR.—Assembly of God, Sept. 27—Oct. 9; Anspaugh Chord Makers, Naponee, Nebr. (Wayne Allen is Pastor.)

GARY, IND.—Glen Park Assembly of God, 3935 Washington St., Sept. 23—Oct. 2; Bryon D. Jones, Wilkes Barre, Pa.—by Anthony Vigna, Pastor.

COLUMBUS, GA.—Bealwood Assembly of God, 3985 Hamilton Ave., Sept. 27—29; Evangelist and Mrs. Stanley MacPherson. (B. W. Flanagan is Pastor.)

CLINTON, ILL.—Assemblies of God Tabernacle, 412 S. Monroe, Sept. 27—Oct. 16; Evangelist Walter D. Lascelle, Seattle, Wash. (C. R. DePrenger is Pastor.)

LEWISVILLE, TEX.—First Assembly of God, began Sept. 11; Evangelist Carl Walker Jr., Charleston, S. C. (William Panos is Pastor.)

HOLTVILLE, CALIF.—Assembly of God, 801 Holt St., began Sept. 11; Evangelist and Mrs. Benny H. Sapp, Santa Ana, Calif. (Joe Marr is Pastor.)

ANTIOCH, CALIF.—First Assembly of God, began Sept. 13; Musical Silvatones. (R. M. Catlett is Pastor.)

PRATTVILLE, ALA.—Assembly of God, Sept. 25—Oct. 9; Evangelist and Mrs. Nelson E. White, Fort White, Fla. (J. M. Flowers is Pastor.)

COVINGTON, IND.—Assembly of God, Sept. 27—Oct. 9; Evangelist and Mrs. W. H. Fisher, Dallas, Tex.—by R. T. Havener, Pastor.

PENSACOLA, FLA.—Bethel Assembly of God, Detroit Blvd., Sept. 25—Oct. 9; Evangelist Marvin L. Smith, Mobile, Ala.—by J. W. Holloway, Pastor.

BELLEVILLE, ILL.—Assembly of God, Sept. 25—Oct. 9; Evangelist Ivor H. Hugh, Jacksonville, Fla. (T. M. Kimberlin is Pastor.)

HANFORD, CALIF.—Glad Tidings Assembly of God, Cor. Irwin and Myrtle Sts., begins Sept. 28; Evangelist and Mrs. G. W. Hardcastle Jr., Oklahoma City, Okla.—by Gene Forrest, Pastor.

PRATT, KANS.—Area-wide salvation-healing meeting in City Armory, begins Sept. 28; Evangelist E. T. Quanabush, Costa Mesa, Calif.—by David Richards, Pastor.

BRAINERD, MINN.—Assembly of God, Gillis and "A" Sts., begins Sept. 27; Evangelist and Mrs. J. F. Pepper, San Pedro, Calif. (Stanley H. Clarke is Pastor.)

ST. PAUL, MINN.—Summit Avenue Assembly of God, begins Sept. 25; Evangelists Cordelia Donnell and Mildred Holler.—by Wilbur E. Weides, Pastor.

BATTLE CREEK, MICH.—Annual "shut-in" service, Sept. 25, 11 a.m. Sponsored by the Church of the Four Fold Gospel Home Department. Mrs. Eugene Rouviere, Department Superintendent for over 20 years.—by E. A. Manley, Pastor.

CHICAGO, ILL.—Calvary Tabernacle, 5100 W. Diversey Ave., Sept. 11—25; Evangelist Fern (Huffstutler) Olson. Dedication of new church, Sept. 25; J. Robert Ashcroft speaking at 3 p.m.—by Loren D. Doss, Pastor.

ARKANSAS DISTRICT COUNCIL—Ozark-Lithia Camp Ground, 9 miles from Hot Springs on Highway 7, Sept. 26—29. Kermit Reneau, Superintendent of South Texas District, guest speaker. State-wide W.M.C. Rally, Monday afternoon; and District C. A. Rally, Monday night. Business sessions begin Tuesday morning.—by H. E. Shaw, District Secretary.

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CAMPBELL, CALIF.—Assembly of God, began Sept. 13; Evangelist George E. Elrod, Tracey, Calif. (Herbert Johnson is Pastor.)

GRANDVIEW, WASH.—First Assembly of God, Oct. 4—9; children's revival with Evangelists Virgil and Edythe Warens, Fullerton, Calif. (Alvin E. Isaak is Pastor.)

MEXIA, TEX.—Assembly of God, Sept. 18—Oct. 2; Evangelist J. C. Hibbard Jr. and Party, Dallas, Tex.—by A. R. Vaughan, Pastor.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.—Peoples Church, 41st and Van Buren St. N. E., begins Sept. 25; Evangelist and Mrs. Joe Johnson, Jamestown, N. Dak.—by D. M. Henderson, Pastor.

TULSA, OKLA.—Dawson Assembly of God, began Sept. 11; Evangelist and Mrs. L. L. Ammons, Dallas, Tex. (W. L. Farmer is Pastor.)

YAKIMA, WASH.—Full Gospel Tabernacle, Sept. 27—Oct. 2; children's revival with Evangelists Virgil and Edythe Warens. (E. Judson Cornwall is Pastor.)

RANDLE, WASH.—Sept. 25—Oct. 2; Warren D. Combs, Toppenish, Wash.—by David R. Westerfield, Pastor.

WOONSOCKET, S. DAK.—Assembly of God, Oct. 4—16; Evangelist and Mrs. Henry Rose, Harrison, Mich. (H. J. Waldner is Pastor.)

GENEVA, N. Y.—Assembly of God, Sept. 27—Oct. 9; Evangelist Paul Cook, Modesto, Calif.—by George L. Hubbard, Pastor.

TRENTON, MO.—Begins Sept. 25; Evangelist and Mrs. Z. E. Miles, Des Moines, Iowa.—by W. Glen McClure, Pastor.

VINTON, IOWA—Assembly of God, Oct. 2—16; Evangelist R. D. Atkinson of Perry, Iowa.—by Dale Harmon, Pastor.

CENTRAL CITY, NEBR.—Assembly of God, Sept. 18—Oct. 2; Evangelist Harry Walker.—by R. V. Umphenour, Pastor.

SUMAS, WASH.—Assembly of God, Oct. 4—23; Evangelist Wesley W. Fleming.—by Leonard P. Amory, Pastor.

STEVENSVILLE, MONT.—Assembly of God, Sept. 27—Oct. 16; Evangelist H. L. Moody, Minneapolis, Minn. (E. L. Enget is Pastor.)

DEALE, MD.—Begins Sept. 20; Evangelist and Mrs. William F. Voodre.—by E. F. M. Staudt, Pastor.

DYER, TENN.—First Assembly of God, begins Sept. 20; Evangelist John H. Bostrom.—by Andrew Watson, Church Secretary. (George G. Preslar is Pastor.)

LUBBOCK, TEX.—First Assembly of God, begins Sept. 25; Evangelist Elvin and Mrs. Rogene Samford. (Homer M. Sheats is Pastor.)

SIOUX FALLS, S. DAK.—Gospel Tabernacle, Sept. 25—Oct. 9; Evangelist A. R. Vanderploeg, Toledo, Ohio.—by Arthur F. Berg, Pastor.

DENVER, COLO.—First Assembly of God, W. 13th Ave. and Bannock St., Sept. 12—Oct. 3; Evangelist Marrels Moore.—by Verne J. Crews, Pastor.

AKRON, OHIO—Central Assembly of God, Brown and Vine Sts., begins Oct. 9; Evangelist William L. Devereaux, Los Angeles, Calif.—by Ray S. Armstrong, Pastor.

BEATRICE, NEBR.—City-wide tent meeting, began Sept. 18. Evangelist Russell Park.—by Lyl McCormack, Pastor, Beatrice Full Gospel Church.

NEW ENGLAND, N. DAK.—Assembly of God, Sept. 25—Oct. 6; Evangelist Arthur Klaus, Glen Ullin, N. Dak.—by Herman G. Johnson, Pastor.

ASHLAND, KANS.—Assembly of God, Sept. 27—Oct. 16; Evangelist David Sandall and family (the Singing Sandalls), Augusta, Kans.—by Everett Lee, Pastor.

BAD AXE, MICH.—Assembly of God, S. Port Crescent at Park Sts., Sept. 20—Oct. 2; Evangelist Ella Parmenter, Windsor, Ont., Canada.—by H. M. Burk, Pastor.

FORT WORTH, TEX.—Jay Bird Assembly of God, Highway 199, began Sept. 14; Evangelist Jesse Ray, Atlanta, Ga. (W. F. Mercer is Pastor.)

PORTLAND, OREG.—First Assembly of God, begins Sept. 25; Evangelist N. L. Ballew, Citrus Heights, Calif. (N. D. Davidson is Pastor.)

ALPENA, MICH.—Gospel Tabernacle, 9th and Cavanaugh, mortgage burning, Oct. 2. Charles W. H. Scott, District Superintendent, speaker.—by G. R. Kars, Pastor.

WINDBER, PA.—Pentecostal Assembly of God, 1305 Midway, Sept. 27—Oct. 2; Chester Jenkins, District C. A. President, Moosic, Pa.—by Clifton E. Wilkins, Pastor.

LAWRENCE, KANS.—Assembly of God, 13th and Massachusetts, Oct. 2—16; Evangelists Miriam Hooks and Pauline Sawyer, McGehee, Ark.—by J. J. Krimmer, Pastor.

GEORGETOWN, S. C.—Begins Sept. 27; Evangelist A. L. Todd.—by A. T. Hickman, Pastor.

CARLISLE, PA.—Assembly of God, Sept. 27—Oct. 9; Evangelist Niels P. Thomsen. (Malius H. Davidson is Pastor.)

AUGUSTA, KANS.—Assembly of God, Sept. 27—Oct. 2; Evangelist and Mrs. Christian Hild, Fargo, N. Dak.—by Kenneth M. Stottlmyer, Pastor.

KAUFMAN, TEX.—South Bouie Assembly of God, Route 5, Homecoming, Sept. 25. Former members and friends invited. (Charles E. McMerrell is Pastor.)

WATERTOWN, N. Y.—Union revival in Strand Theater, 136 Franklin St., Sept. 28—Oct. 16; Evangelist Wm. A. Caldwell. (Herman Yost is Pastor.)

EASTERN DISTRICT PRAYER CONFERENCE—Pentecostal Church, 23rd and Pine St., Wilmington, Del., Oct. 10—12. Jacob Heinrich, Host Pastor. Services at 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. Byron Jones, guest speaker.—by George Butrin.

HOUSTON, TEX.—Dedication of new Evangelistic Temple, 2000 W. 11th St., Sept. 25. Three services, 11 a.m., 2:45 p.m., and 7:45 p.m. A. A. Wilson, Kansas City, Mo., guest speaker.—by Raymond T. Richey, Pastor.

KANSAS DISTRICT COUNCIL—First Assembly of God, Lincoln and South Main Sts., Wichita, Kansas, Oct. 17—20; Thomas F. Zimmerman, guest speaker. Opens with C. A. Rally, Monday evening at 7:30.—by Paul C. Samuelson, District Secretary.

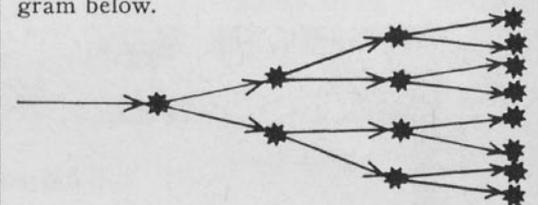
ELMER, MO.—Annual Fellowship meeting, Sept. 28—30; A. A. Wilson, morning and evening speaker. Evening services will be held in High School Auditorium. Other speakers: V. L. Hertweck, T. E. Gannon, Charles Long, Stanton Johnson, and Hilton Griswold. Free meals and free rooms as far as available.—by Abraham Solomon, Host Pastor.



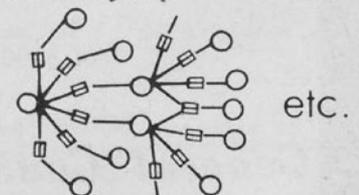
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